

# **CREATING MIND MAPS USING MIRO**

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#### WHAT IS MIND MAPPING?

- Mind mapping is a highly effective way of getting information in and out of your brain.
- Mind mapping is a creative and logical means of note-taking and note-making that literally "maps out" your ideas.
- They have a natural organizational structure that radiates from the centre and use lines, symbols, words, colour and images according to simple, brain-friendly concepts.
- Mind mapping converts a long list of monotonous information into a colourful, memorable and highly organized diagram that works in line with your brain's natural way of doing things.

- •Mind mapping is a slightly different but complementary technique that is concerned with the organisation of ideas and concepts.
- •Mind mapping (or "idea" mapping) has been defined as 'visual, *non-linear* representations of ideas and their relationships' (Biktimirov and Nilson 2006).
- •Mind maps comprise a network of connected and related concepts. Any idea can be connected to any other.
- •Free-form, spontaneous thinking is required when creating a mind map, and the aim of mind mapping is to find creative associations between ideas.

#### WHAT IS A MIND MAP?

A Mind Map is a visual thinking tool, ideal for brainstorming, exploring ideas and presenting information in a uniquely visual way.

A Mind Map is a diagram for representing tasks, words, concepts, or items linked to and arranged around a central concept or subject using a nonlinear graphical layout that allows the user to build an intuitive framework around a central concept.

# AIM OF MIND MAPPING

- •The over-riding aim of all mapping techniques is similar.
- •If students can represent or manipulate a complex set of relationships in a diagram, they are more likely to understand those relationships, remember them, and be able to analyse their component parts.
- •This, in turn, promotes "deep" and not "surface" approaches to learning (Biggs 1987; Entwistle 1981; Marton and Saljo 1976 and Ramsden 1992).

#### **BENEFITS OF MIND MAPPING**

Mind mapping basically avoids dull, linear thinking, jogging your creativity and making note taking fun again.

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# **USE OF MIND MAPPING**

•The main use of mind mapping is to create an association of ideas.

- •However, another use is for memory retention—even if the advantages in the case of mind mapping might be marginal (Farrand et al. 2002).
- •It is generally easier to remember a diagram than to remember a description.
- •There is empirical support for the use of mapping in enhancing, retaining and improving knowledge.
- •Evidence from the cognitive sciences shows that visual displays do enhance learning (Vekiri 2002; Winn 1991).

#### CAN USE MIND MAP FOR.....

- Brainstorming (individually or in groups)
- Problem solving
- Planning a particular topic
- Researching and Jot down information from multiple sources from pieces in to whole
- Presenting information from a single Platform
- Gaining insight on complex subjects
- Jogging your creativity
- Note Taking
- Studying and Memorization

#### THE FIVE ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF MIND MAPPING

- The main idea, subject or focus is crystallized in a central image.
- The main themes *radiate* from the central image as 'branches'.
- The branches comprise a key image or key word drawn or printed on its associated line.
- Topics of lesser importance are represented as 'twigs' of the relevant branch.
- The branches form a connected nodal structure.

#### The Power of Images

- There is a well-known quote, "A picture is worth a thousand words".
- We associate and remember images because they make use of a massive range of your cortical skills, especially imagination.
- Images can be more evocative than words, more precise and potent in triggering a wide range of associations, thereby enhancing creative thinking and memory.

#### **Tony Buzan and Mind Mapping**

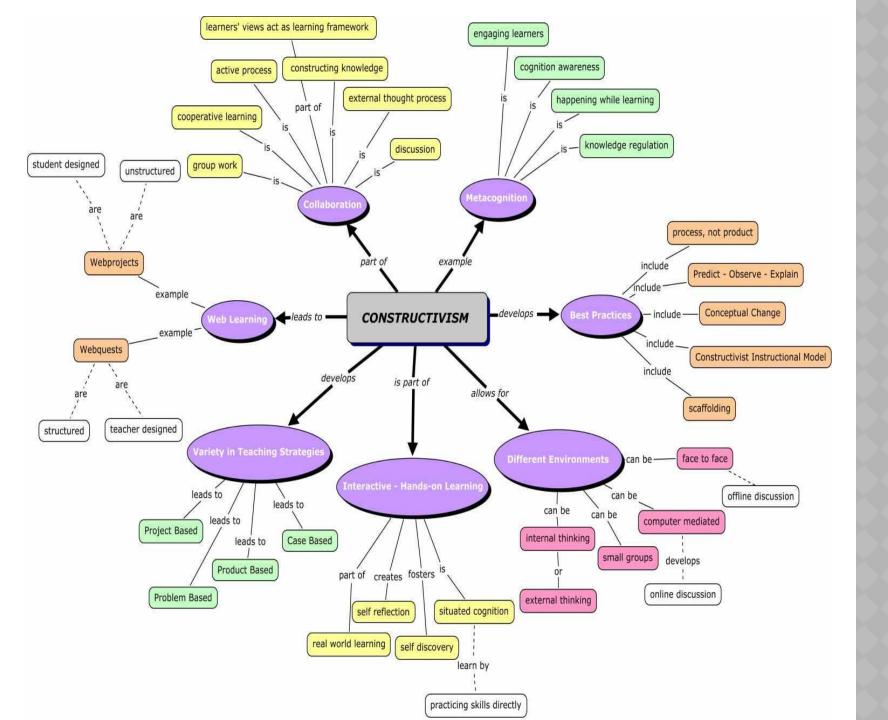
- Although people have been creating maps using an image-centered radial graphic organization technique for centuries, British psychology author Tony Buzan has made a claim to the origin of the Mind Map.
- He argues that 'traditional' outlines require that the reader scans the information from left to right and top to bottom, whilst the brain's natural preference is to scan the entire page in a non-linear fashion.
- Buzan also uses widespread assumptions about the cerebral hemispheres in order to promote the exclusive use of mind mapping over other forms of note making.

#### **Types of Mind Maps**

- Mind maps are mainly used in the early stage of a project or program to analysis the subject or solve problems. According to different purposes, mind maps can be classified into 3 types:
- Library mind maps for information organizing
- Presentation mind maps for presenting ideas and projects
- Tunnel timeline mind maps for organizing or making a project plan

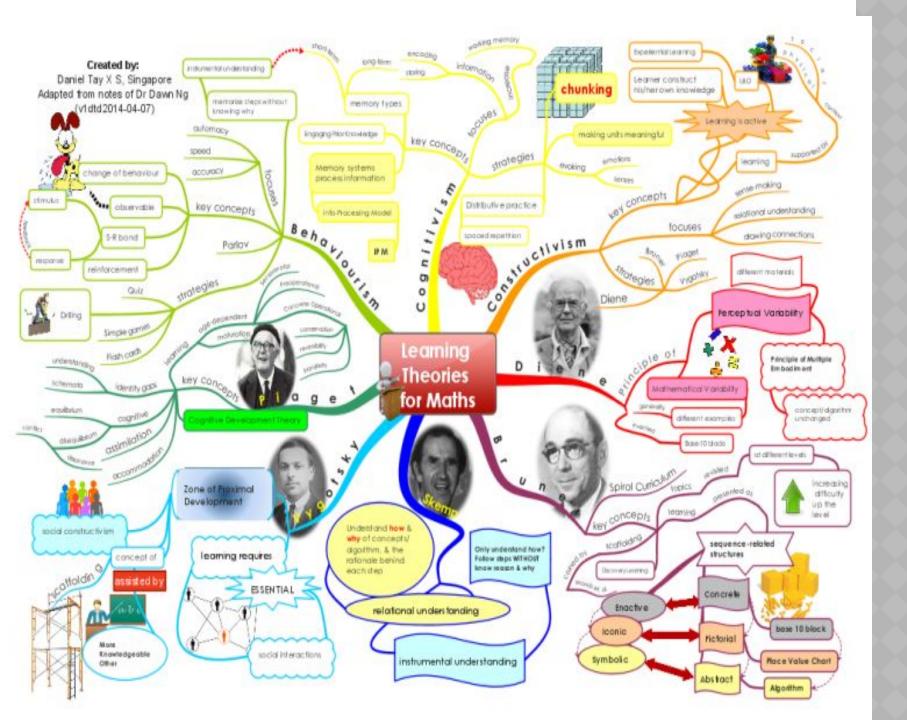
Mind Map Type 1: Library Mind Maps

- Library mind maps can also be called reference maps.
- This type of mind maps are mainly used to organize information, so that you can have a clear and visual understanding of the subject without missing anything out.
- The purpose of library mind maps is to sort and organize the collected information for a better understanding of the subject.
- When creating a library mind map, first step is to put all the information together and organize it in a map tree. The map will show how eachinformation linked to each other and how they can serve the main idea.



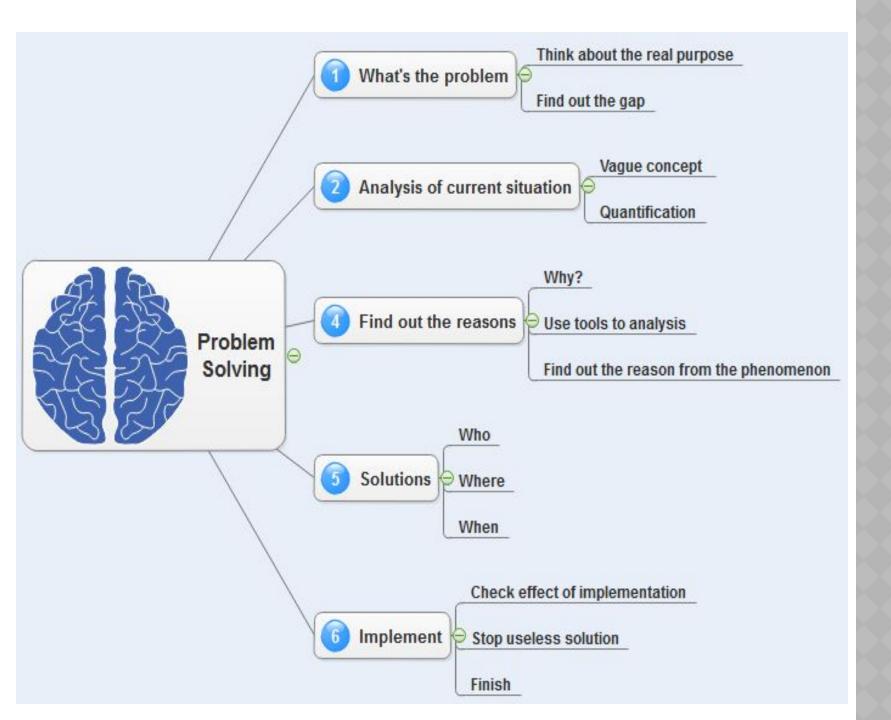
#### Mind Map Type 2: Presentation Mind Maps

- This type of mind map is used to present the process of an idea to the audience.
- Presentation mind maps illustrate the way that the project goes in order to track the steps.
- Therefore the focus of a presentation mind map is the audience instead of the topic.
- How the information should be positioned in the map depends on whether the audience can understand it or not.
- If the audience can follow with the way you are presenting, then the map is well structured. Thus, you presentation can be well accepted by the audience.
- This type of mind map can be used for explaining an activity or a training session.



#### Mind Map Type 3: Tunnel Timeline Mind Maps

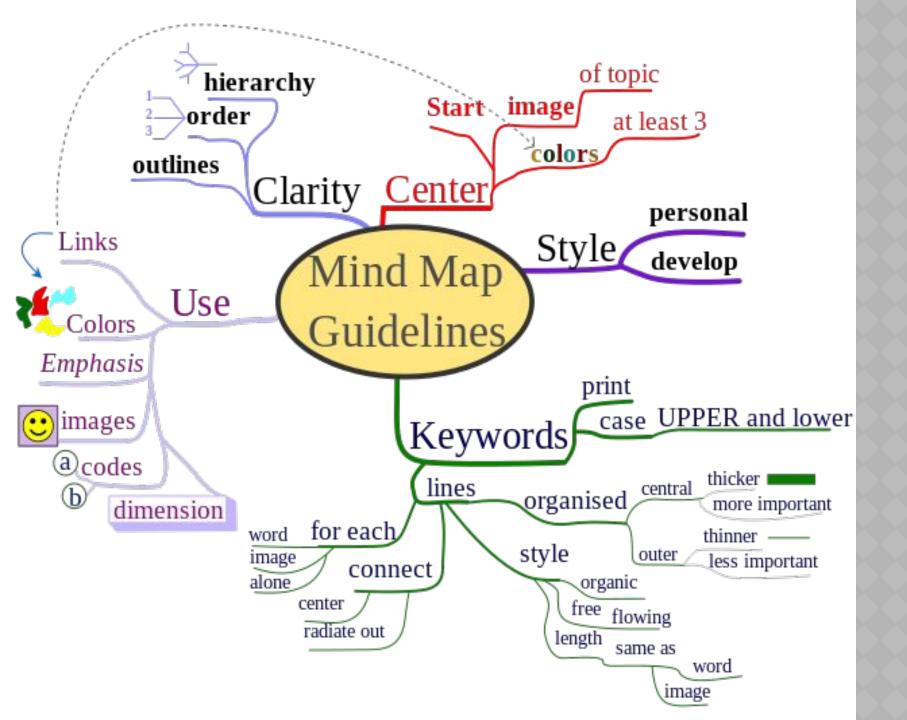
- This type of mind maps are also simplified as planning mind maps, they are mainly used for project strategy, program plan, or problem solving.
- Tunnel timeline mind maps are designed to achieve a goal.
- The purpose of this type of mind maps is to visualize success.
- The center (main topic) of the mind map is the outcome that you pursuit, and each sub-topic represents a path to achieve that outcome.



#### HOW TO MAKE A MIND MAP

- Think of your general main theme and write that down in the centre of the page. i.e. Food
- Figure out sub-themes of your main concept and draw branches to them from the centre, beginning to look like a spider web.
- Make sure to use very short phrases or even single words.
- Add images to invoke thought or get the message across better.
- Try to think of at least two main points for each sub-theme you created and create branches out to those.

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# TOOLS OF CREATING MIND MAP

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#### MIRO

- Miro is a digital "whiteboard" platform that can make it easy to brainstorm and collaborate with members of your team or innovation program.
- The software allows you to create notes and designs, move things around, and communicate through embedded video calls or online chats. The tool also comes with a series of pre-built templates that can inspire or serve as a starting place for your own project work
- Miro has been widely used by million users for creating mind maps for concept building.

#### SOME COMMON USES OF MIRO INCLUDE:

- Creating a list of ideas or topics to focus on for an important project
- Developing a user story or customer journey map
- Wireframing a new product concept or idea
- Laying out a roadmap or strategy for an innovation workshop or program
- Running a more engaging or innovative meeting for your team in an agile culture
- Miro can connect to some other common virtual worksing tools, such as Google Drive, Slack, Asana, Trello, and SurveyMonkey.

#### WHAT IS MIRO CONCLUSION?

- Miro can be used as a part of video meeting tools like Hopin or Whereby where you can share your Miro board (like you would your screen) and participants can add to the Miro board without opening a new browser tab.
- Miro is one of the fastest growing software tools due to the major shift to remote work catalyzed by the COVID pandemic. It really can make your meetings or workshops more visual, collaborative, and engaging.

#### MIRO

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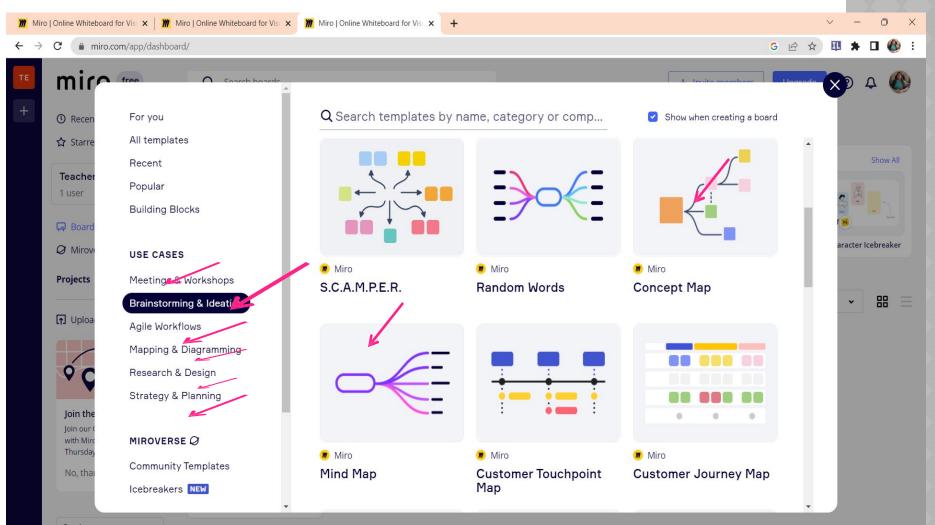
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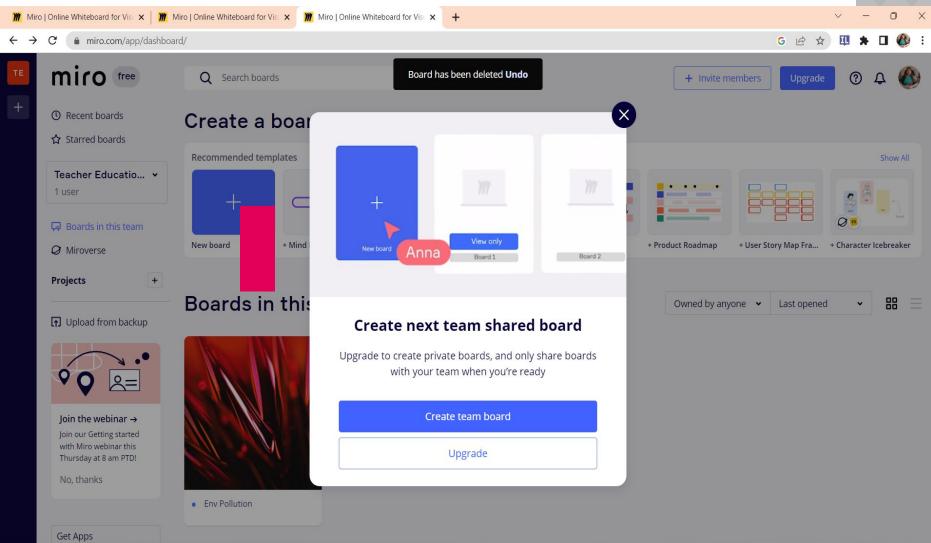


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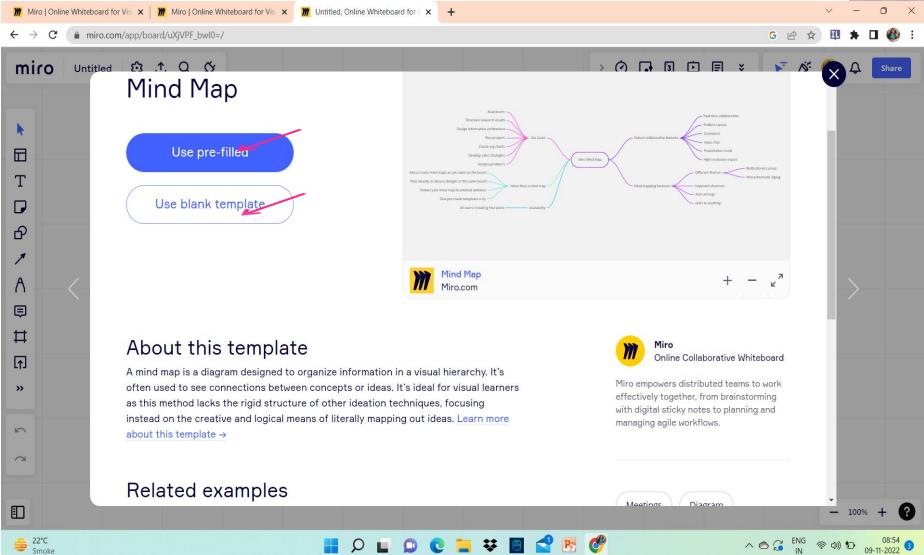
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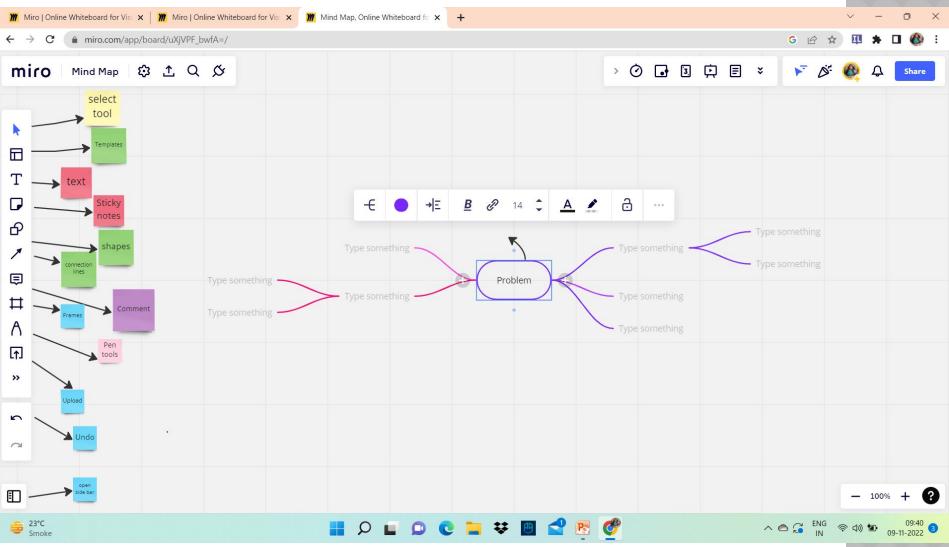
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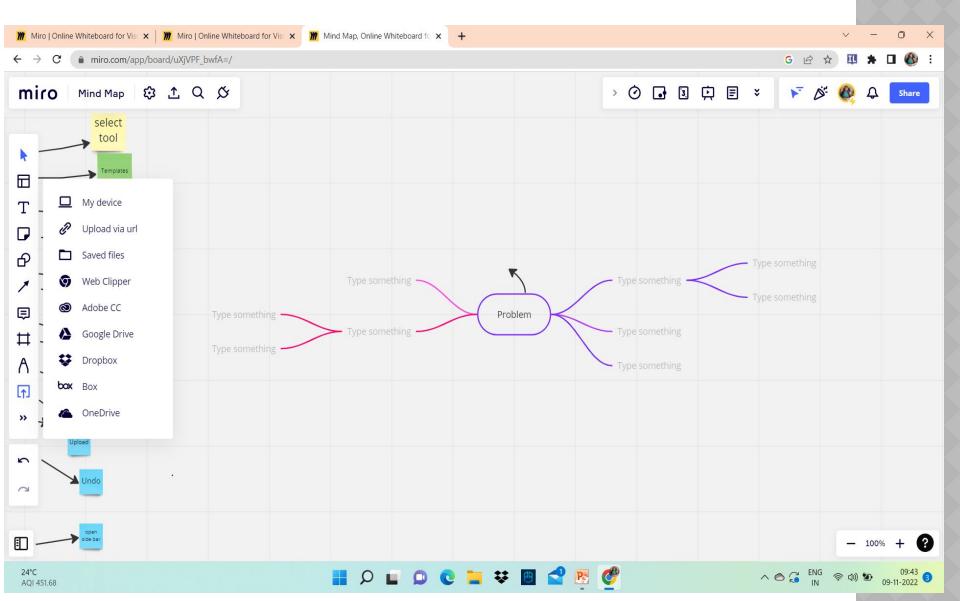
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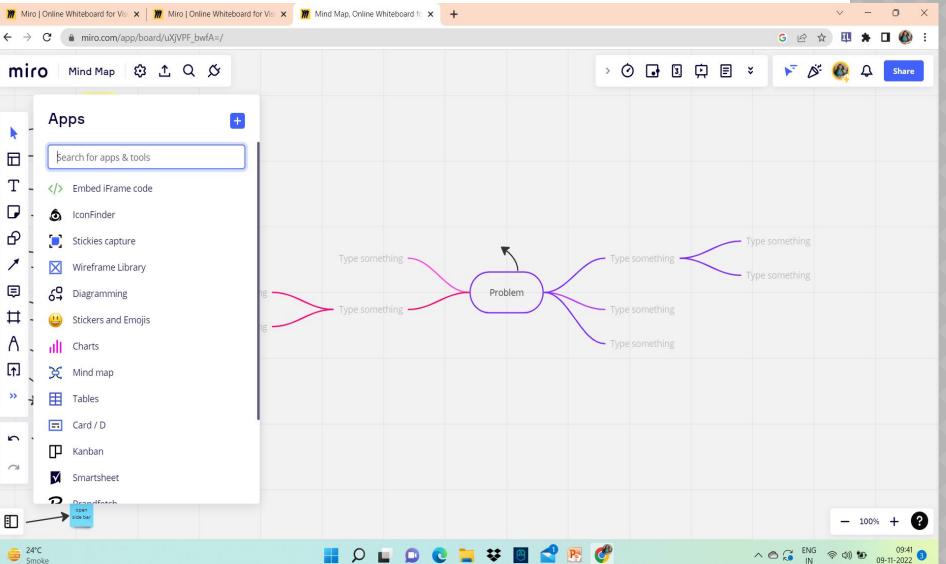
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#### **CREATIVE TIPS FOR MAKING MAPS**

- Review available visual materials such as photos, sketches, graphs, etc.
- Focus upon a visual language approach to communication.
- Consider possible formats for visual structuring.
- Relax, close your eyes and allow your mind to "free associate".
- Draw informal, thumbnail sketches of your visual impressions.
- Experiment with a variety of visual layout formats.
- Colour shapes, arrows or words for emphasis.
- Imagine a bird's eye overview of the subject matter to be presented.
- Look with fresh eyes, is the visual presentation attractive?
- Ask yourself, are these visuals compelling? Do they help convince the viewer that the subject matter is important and inviting?
- Integrate the visuals with the text. Does it work to the best advantage?
- Keep a record of the maps you do (Perhaps in your "Visual Notebook").

- The great thing about mind mapping is that one can put one's ideas down in any order, as soon as they pop into your head.
- You are not constrained by thinking in order. Simply, throw out any and all ideas, and then worry about reorganizing them later.
- The Mind Map is the external mirror of your own *radiant* or natural thinking facilitated by a powerful graphic process, which provides the universal key to unlock the dynamic potential of the brain.

- One simple way to understand a Mind Map is by comparing it to a map of a city.
- The city centre represents the main idea;
- the main roads leading from the centre represent the key thoughts in your thinking process;
- the secondary roads or branches represent your secondary thoughts, and so on.
- Special images or shapes can represent landmarks of interest or particularly relevant ideas

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